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SUBJ: PORTS AUTHORITY ACTS TO SOLVE CONTAINER PILE-UP

1. IN PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT FEB 18, FAYIZ BADR, PRESIDENT OF SAUDI PORTS AUTHORITY NOTIFIED ALL LOCAL SHIPPING AGENTS THAT IT WOULD BE INCUMBENT ON THEM TO RESTORE BALANCE BETWEEN CONTAINERS SHIPPED IN AND OUT OF JIDDA.

2. IN SUMMARY THE NOTICE ADVISES SHIPPERS TO COLLECT DEPOSIT OF SR 1500 FOR EACH CONTAINER DELIVERED AND TO CHARGE SR 75 PER DAY FOR EACH DAY IN EXCESS OF 15 DAYS FROM DATE OF OFFLOADING.

3. SHIPPERS MUST ADVISE CONSIGNEES ONE DAY PRIOR TO ARRIVAL AND ESTABLISH CONTROL SYSTEM TO LOCATE EACH UNRETURNED CONTAINER GIVING COMPLETE INFO ON CONSIGNEES AND DATES. IN ADDITION, SHIPPING AGENTS MUST HIRE EXTRA STAFF FOR PURPOSE AND CABLE BADR WEEKLY OF STATUS RE NUMBER OF CONTAINERS RECEIVED, NUMBER DELIVERED OUTSIDE PORT, NUMBER RE SHIPPED AND NUMBER IN PORT AT END OF WEEK BESIDES PROVIDING LIST OF ALL CONSIGNEES WHOSE CONTAINERS HAVE BEEN IN PORT OVER 15 DAYS. ANNOUNCEMENT REQUESTS INFO FOR NOVEMBER, DECEMBER
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AND JANUARY PERIODS NO LATER THAN TEN DAYS AFTER ANNOUNCEMENT. IT ALSO STATES THAT IN THREE MONTHS PERIOD THERE SHOULD BE NO GREATER DIFFERENCE THAN 5 PERCENT IN NUMBER OF CONTAINERS SHIPPED IN AND OUT. SHIPPING AGENTS ARE ALSO RESPONSIBLE FOR ABANDONED OR UNCLAIMED CONTAINERS AND SETTING UP PROPER CONTROL SYSTEM.

4. COMMENT: ANNOUNCEMENT HAS BEEN GREETED WITH CONSTERNATION BY SHIPPING AGENTS WHO FEEL THEY ARE BEING FORCED TO DO GOVERNMENT'S WORK. WITH PRACTICALLY NO RETURN CARGO AVAILABLE, A LARGE NUMBER OF SHIPS WILL BE NEEDED TO REPATRIATE THE 18 TO 20 THOUSAND CONTAINERS NOW CLOGGING THE PORT AS WELL AS EMPTY LOTS IN JIDDA. IF ORDER IS EFFECTED, WE MIGHT SEE FLOTILLA SITUATION AGAIN AND MORE DELAY IN OFFLOADING INCOMING GOODS.

5. COPY OF ANNOUNCEMENT BEING POUCHED TO DEPT (NEA/ ARP) AND COMMERCE (CAGNE).
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